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SUBJECT: BUSINESS FACILITATION MEETING

REF: MOSCOW 1267

1. THE DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES THE DETAILED AND WELL-REASONED TREATMENT OF THE CURRENT STATUS OF BUSINESS FACILITATION MEETINGS CONTAINED IN THE REFERENCED TELEGRAM. WE ARE NOW PERSUADED OF THE MERITS OF CONTINUING TO MEET AT THE MANZHULO LEVEL IN MOSCOW.

2. DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY REICH IS, THEREFORE, TELLING MKRTUMOV THAT HE IS POSTPONING HIS FEBRUARY 7 MEETING BECAUSE OUR EMBASSY IN MOSCOW HAS BEEN UNABLE TO MEET WITH MANZHULO. HE IS EXPLAINING WHY WE WANT THESE MEETINGS TO BE HELD ON AN ALTERNATING BASIS.

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3. EMBASSY SHOULD NOW SEEK A REGULAR BUSINESS FACILITATION MEETING AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY WITH MANZHULO.

4. THE PNG ACTION AGAINST KURSCH SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE RAISED AT THAT MEETING.

5. EMBASSY SHOULD, HOWEVER, EXPRESS CONCERN AT THE
MANZHULO MEETING OVER THE VARIOUS HARASSMENTS AGAINST US
BUSINESSMEN AND AGAINST THE COMMERCIAL OFFICE REFERRED TO
IN THE REFTEL. VANCE

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